GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1615
ANSWERED ON:02.08.2000
FILING OF CASE BY INDIA
JAYASHREE BANERJEE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Court of Justice has given Judgment in favour of India in a case of shooting down of a Pakistani plane in Kutch region;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any case has been filed with the said court regarding Pakistani attacks in Kargil; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. Pakistan filed a complaint before the International Court of Justice (ICJ) on September 21, 1999 seeking compensation from India for the shooting down of their military combat Atlantique aircraft on August 10, 1999 when it had intruded deep into Indian air space. In its submission before the ICJ, India urged that the Court had no jurisdiction in this matter in accordance with the Declaration of India of September 17, 1974 filed under Article 36(2) of the Court`s statute.In its judgement of June 21, 2000 the Court rejected the Pakistani application, by 14 to 2 votes, and found that it had no jurisdiction in the matter.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does Not Arise.